

Application No. 09/290,579
Amdt. Dated April 3, 2003
Reply to Office Action of December 4, 2002
Docket No. 8027-1010

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-89 were previously pending in this application. Claims 1-89 are cancelled and replaced with new claims 90-109. By the filing of the present CPA, Applicant is not bound by the previous election requirement set forth in the Official Action of July 3, 2002.

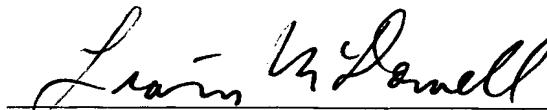
Applicant respectfully requests favorable action on the merits of each of claims 90-109.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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